

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1333 – HB 1479

February 24, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a course in civics that emphasizes the responsibilities and privileges of citizenship to be taught in at least one grade in grades six through eight.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

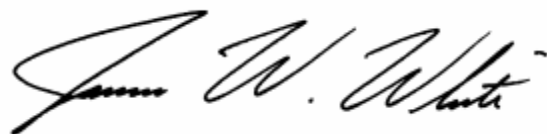
Increase State Expenditures - \$40,000 One-Time

Assumptions:

- A task force comprised of teachers would meet to determine course content. The cost of the task force is estimated to be a one-time increase in state expenditures of \$40,000. (This is based on the cost to convene previous task forces for similar purposes.)
- The civics course would be taught during the same period the school has scheduled for its integrated social studies.
- The civics standards that are currently being taught in integrated social studies in grades six through eight would be the foundation of the course.
- The course would be approximately 6-9 weeks in length.
- Existing social studies personnel in schools could be used to teach the course.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director